second degree, child abuse, CHILD PORNOGRAPHY, AS DEFINED UNDER ARTICLE 27, §§ 419A AND 419B, UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS TO COMPUTERS, AS PROVIDED UNDER ARTICLE 27, § 146 OF THE CODE, gambling, robbery, any felony punishable under the "Arson and Burning" subheading of Article 27, bribery, extortion, or dealing in controlled dangerous substances, including violations of Article 27, § 286B or § 287A, fraudulent insurance acts, as defined in Title 27, Subtitle 4 of the Insurance Article, offenses relating to destructive devices under Article 27, § 139C of the Code, or any conspiracy or solicitation to commit any of these offenses, or where any person has created a barricade situation and probable cause exists for the investigative or law enforcement officer to believe a hostage or hostages may be involved, where the person is a party to the communication or one of the parties to the communication has given prior consent to the interception.

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The Attorney General, State Prosecutor, or any State's Attorney may apply to a judge of competent jurisdiction, and the judge, in accordance with the provisions of § 10–408 of this subtitle, may grant an order authorizing the interception of wire, oral, or electronic communications by investigative or law enforcement officers when the interception may provide or has provided evidence of the commission of the offense of murder, kidnapping, CHILD PORNOGRAPHY, AS DEFINED IN ARTICLE 27, §§ 419A AND 419B, UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS TO COMPUTERS, AS PROVIDED IN ARTICLE 27, § 146 OF THE CODE, gambling, robbery, any felony punishable under the "Arson and Burning" subheading of Article 27 of this Code, bribery, extortion, or dealing in controlled dangerous substances, offenses relating to destructive devices under Article 27, § 139C of the Code, or any conspiracy or solicitation to commit any of the foregoing offenses. No application or order shall be required if the interception is lawful under the provisions of § 10–402(c) of this subtitle.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1998.

Approved May 12, 1998.

CHAPTER 525

(House Bill 925)

AN ACT concerning

Crimes - Computers - Exceeding Authorized Access

FOR the purpose of expanding the provisions relating to unauthorized access to certain computer devices, systems, or services; establishing to apply to a person who exceeds the person's authorized access and to certain possession of valid access codes; increasing a statute of limitations for certain computer crimes; and generally relating to computer crimes.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,